

I claim:

1. (Currently amended) A device for setting different ear attachment methods on earrings; said device is comprised of a universal female connector and a plurality of removable and selectable male connectors; where said female connector is comprised of a side that is ~~of substantially flat form, and said side is attached to a side of an earring that has at least a portion of its surface flat and of size similar to the said female connector side, and said side of earring is facing an ear when earring is attached to ear, a female receptacle having only a single entry for receiving one of the selectable male connectors, each one of the male connectors being complementary shaped to a shape of said female receptacle, such that a selectable male connector is received into the female receptacle of the female connector, and a mechanism to lock in place a selectable and attachable male connector to said female connector, and where each of the said selectable male connector implements a different method of attaching an earring to an ear[.], and where said locking mechanism is comprised of two holes of similar size and shape located in said female connector, a line connecting the center of the holes is parallel to the side of the female connector that attaches to the earring, a plane that is perpendicular to the side of the female connector that attaches to the earring and passes through said center line of the holes divides the female connector vertically in approximate half, a hole in said male connector where the two ends of said hole are similar in size, shape, and corresponding matching orientation and location to the holes in said female connector, and a pin that after inserted through said matching holes in the female connector and the male connector is bent at its ends to lock in place said male connector.~~
- 2.(Original) The universal ear attachment of claim 1 wherein: the female receptacle is perpendicular to said side that attaches to the earring.

3.(Original) The universal ear attachment of claim 1 wherein: the female receptacle is parallel and along said side that attaches to the earring.

4. (Currently amended) A universal female connector where said female connector is comprised of a side that is ~~of substantially flat form, and said side is attached to a side of an earring that has at least a portion of its surface flat and of size similar to the said female connector side,~~ and said earring side is facing an ear when earring is attached to said ear, a female receptacle having only a single entry for receiving a selectable male connector, where said male connector being complementary shaped to a shape of said female receptacle, and a locking mechanism to lock in place a selectable and attachable male connector to said female connector[.], and where said locking mechanism is comprised of two holes of similar size and shape located in said female connector, a line connecting the center of the holes is parallel to the side of the female connector that attaches to the earring, a plane that is perpendicular to the side of the female connector that attaches to the earring and passes through said center line of the holes divides the female connector vertically in approximate half, a hole in said male connector where the two ends of said hole are similar in size, shape, and corresponding matching orientation and location to the holes in said female connector, and a pin that after inserted through said matching holes in the female connector and the male connector is bent at its ends to lock in place said male connector.

5. (Currently amended) The universal female connector of claim 4 wherein: the female connector side that is ~~of substantially flat form and~~ is attached to a side of an earring ~~has said substantially flat side~~ is composed of the flat end edge of the ~~wall~~ sides comprising the female receptacle of said female connector.

6. (Currently amended) A male connector where said male connector is comprised of a coupling mechanism, where said coupling mechanism has a complementary

shape to a shape of a receiving female receptacle of a female connector that ~~is of substantially flat form, and said side is attached to a side of an earring that has at least a portion of its surface flat and of size similar to the said female connector side,~~ and said earring side is facing an ear when said earring is attached to said ear, said male connector possessing means to attach earring to an ear, and a locking mechanism to lock in place said male connector to said female connector[.], and where said locking mechanism is comprised of two holes of similar size and shape located in said female connector, a line connecting the center of the holes is parallel to the side of the female connector that attaches to the earring, a plane that is perpendicular to the side of the female connector that attaches to the earring and passes through said center line of the holes divides the female connector vertically in approximate half, a hole in said male connector where the two ends of said hole are similar in size, shape, and corresponding matching orientation and location to the holes in said female connector, and a pin that after inserted through said matching holes in the female connector and the male connector is bent at its ends to lock in place said male connector.